



State of Nevada

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Guidance Document – Waste Tire Transportation

One of the goals of Nevada's Waste Tire Management Program is to minimize the threat to public health and the environment resulting from improper storage and disposal of waste tires. In order to achieve this goal, it is vital that the flow of waste tires generated from retail tire outlets are kept out of illegal tire dumps. To help accomplish this, Nevada has adopted regulations that 1) establish a registration program and reporting requirement for waste tire haulers, and 2) require waste tire haulers and retailers to maintain records regarding the shipment of waste tires.

Who needs to register?

A person who transports waste tires or materials derived from waste tires over Nevada highways is required to register with a solid waste management authority (listed on the back page). Registration from one solid waste management authority will be recognized throughout the state.

Are there any exemptions?

Yes. The following haulers are not required to register:

- A solid waste collector operating pursuant to a license issued by a local government.
- A person or business who generates and hauls their own tires.
- A governmental agency.
- A hauler transporting only used tires to be resold or retreadable casings to be retreaded.
- A hauler who transports tires across state boundaries without loading or unloading.
- A person who is directed by a solid waste management authority to transport tires for disposal.
- A hauler who transports products made from recycled waste tires for sale or other distribution.

Requirements

Haulers

- Waste tire haulers must register with a solid waste management authority. There is no registration fee.

- A waste tire hauler registration number must be displayed on each vehicle used to transport waste tires. The solid waste management authority will provide vehicle decals and 'glovebox' registration cards. <
- Waste tires can only be taken to a disposal facility that is authorized to accept tires or a permitted waste tire management facility. For a list of acceptable sites in your hauling area, contact the solid waste management authority.
- Every load from each retailer must be manifested. Although there is no standard manifest form, each manifest must include the following information:
 - 1) Name and registration # of the hauler;
 - 2) Name of the business where the shipment originates;
 - 3) Quantity of tires transported (measured in passenger tire equivalents, or PTE's, where 1 PTE = 1 passenger waste tire or 20 lbs. of waste tire material);
 - 4) Date of transport;
 - 5) Destination of the waste tires;
 - 6) Signatures of the retailer, hauler, and destination facility.
- The hauler must return a completed copy of the manifest to the tire retailer within 30 days of pick-up.
- Haulers will submit a summary of shipments to the solid waste management authority semi-annually, including the names of the retailers serviced and the number and destination of the tires collected. The solid waste management authority will provide a report form.

Retailers

- Each retailer who contracts with a waste tire hauler must contract with a registered hauler. Retailers who hire unauthorized haulers may be liable for costs associated with cleanup of an illegal tire dump.
- A retailer who does not receive a copy of a completed manifest from a waste tire hauler within 30 days of pick-up should report the missing manifest to the appropriate solid waste management authority.
- If a retailer does not contract with a waste tire hauler, they may haul their own tires or contract with a licensed solid waste hauler (e.g. Waste Management Inc., Republic Services of Southern Nevada). If either of these options is used, the retailer shall keep receipts for the disposition of the tires for at least 3 years. The receipts must list the number, weight, or volume of tires and their destination. The records must be available for inspection by the solid waste management authority during regular business hours.

Enforcement

Significant penalties can be levied against a hauler or retailer caught dumping waste tires illegally. Incinerating or improperly disposing of a waste tire is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of no less than \$100 per violation, (which can be interpreted as \$100 per tire), or \$5,000 per day, or both. In some cases criminal prosecution may be sought to force the responsible parties to remove the tires from an illegal site. In addition, registration numbers can be revoked if any of the requirements listed above are not satisfied.

Contact

For additional information, contact the NDEP Solid Waste Branch at (775) 687-9462. Facilities located in Clark or Washoe Counties should contact:

- [Southern Nevada Health District](#) at (702) 759-0600
- [Washoe County District Health Department](#) at (775) 328-2434